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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Application Number	09/928,198
Filing Date	8/10/2001
First Named Inventor	James A. Hoffmann, et al
Art Unit	1647
Examiner Name	Regina M. DeBerry
Attorney Docket Number	X-12383N

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

1. Submission required under 37 CFR 1.114

- a. ☐ Previously submitted
- i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 CFR 1.116 previously filed on _____
(Any unentered amendment(s) referred to above will be entered).
- ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
- iii. ☐ Other _____
- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☒ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☐ Other _____

2. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; Fee under 37 CFR 1.17(i) required)
- b. ☐ Other _____

3. Fees

 The RCE fee under 37 CFR 1.17(e) is required by 37 CFR 1.114 when the RCE is filed.

- a. ☒ The Director is hereby authorized to charge the following fees, or credit any overpayments, to Deposit Account No. 05-0840
- i. ☒ RCE fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(e)
- ii. ☒ Extension of time fee (37 CFR 1.136 and 1.17)
- iii. ☐ Other (RCE \$750.00; 3 month extension \$930.00)
- b. ☐ Check in the amount of \$ _____ enclosed
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Name (Print/Type)	Paula K. Davis	Registration No. (Attorney/Agent)	47,517
Signature	Paula K. Davis	Date	February 18, 2003

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- Deposit Account Number: 05-0840
- Deposit Account Name: Eli Lilly and Company
- ☒ Charge Any Additional Fee Required Under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 ☐ Charge the Issue Fee Set in 37 CFR 1.18 at the Mailing of the Notice of Allowance

2. ☐ Payment Enclosed:

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FEE CALCULATION

1. FILING FEE

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
101	740	201	370	Utility filing fee	
106	330	206	165	Design filing fee	
107	510	207	255	Plant filing fee	
108	740	208	370	Reissue filing fee	
114	160	214	80	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$)

2. CLAIMS

Total Claims	Extr a	Fee from below	Fee Paid
24	-20**	4 X 18	= 72
4	-3**	1 X 84	= 84
Multiple Dependent Claims (first time)			

Large Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Small Fee Code	Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent claim
109	84	209	42	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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NOTES:

An RCE is not a new application, and filing an RCE will not result in an application being accorded a new filing date.

Filing Qualifications:

The application must be a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. The application cannot be a provisional application, a utility or plant application filed before June 8, 1995, a design application, or a patent under reexamination. See 37 CFR 1.114(e).

Filing Requirements:

Prosecution in the application must be closed. Prosecution is closed if the application is under appeal, or the last Office action is a final action, a notice of allowance, or an action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application (e.g., an Office action under *Ex parte Quayle*). See 37 CFR 1.114(b).

A submission and a fee are required at the time the RCE is filed. If reply to an Office action under 35 U.S.C. 132 is outstanding (e.g., the application is under final rejection), the submission must meet the reply requirements of 37 CFR 1.111. If there is no outstanding Office action, the submission can be an information disclosure statement, an amendment, new arguments, or new evidence. See 37 CFR 1.114(c). The submission may be a previously filed amendment (e.g., an amendment after final rejection).

WARNINGS:

Request for Suspension of Action:

All RCE filing requirements must be met before suspension of action is granted. A request for a suspension of action under 37 CFR 1.103(c) does not satisfy the submission requirement and does not permit the filing of the required submission to be suspended.

Improper RCE will NOT toll Any Time Period:

Before Appeal - If the RCE is improper (e.g., prosecution in the application is not closed or the submission or fee has not been filed) and the application is not under appeal, the time period set forth in the last Office action will continue to run and the application will be abandoned after the statutory time period has expired if a reply to the Office action is not timely filed. No additional time will be given to correct the improper RCE.

Under Appeal - If the RCE is improper (e.g., the submission or the fee has not been filed) and the application is under appeal, the improper RCE is effective to withdraw the appeal. Withdrawal of the appeal results in the allowance or abandonment of the application depending on the status of the claims. If there are no allowed claims, the application is abandoned. If there is at least one allowed claim, the application will be passed to issue on the allowed claim(s). See MPEP 1215.01.

See MPEP 706.07(h) for further information on the RCE practice.



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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants	:	James A. Hoffmann & Jirong Lu)	
Serial No.	:	09/928,198)	
Filed	:	August 10, 2001)	Group Art Unit:
)	1646
For	:	FSH Formulation)	Examiner:
)	R. DeBerry
Docket No.	:	X-12383N)	

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents

Arlington, VA 22202

Sir:

Applicants are herewith filing a Request for Continued Examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of US Serial No. 09/928,198. This request and the attached response are made on February 18, 2003, in response to the Office Action dated August 16, 2002, Paper No. 9. Please note that since the six-month date, February 16th, fell on Sunday, and Monday, February 17th, was a Federal holiday (Washington's Birthday), this response is sent on the next business day, in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 21.

Also enclosed is a petition for a three-month extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136. The Applicants authorize the Office to charge the necessary fee for an extension of time to Deposit Account No. 05-0840 in the name of Eli Lilly and Company.

Please amend this application as follows:

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In the Claims

Cancel claims 92-103, inclusive.